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**From:** Dunn, Alexandra [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=426D0177EAAB4001A5C85F051565997E-DUNN, ALEXA]  
**Sent:** 6/27/2018 7:40:24 PM  
**To:** Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Bender, Emily [Bender.Emily@epa.gov]; Lindsay, Jane [lindsay.jane@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Exeter questions for HQ

Ok!

*Sent from my iPhone*

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, J.D.  
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On Jun 27, 2018, at 2:00 PM, Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey, Sorry, I've had a parallel discussion with Jane. She suggests Thursday at 2:30 for this call.

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**From:** Bender, Emily  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2018 1:52 PM  
**To:** Dunn, Alexandra <[dunn.alexandra@epa.gov](mailto:dunn.alexandra@epa.gov)>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Exeter questions for HQ

Hi Alex,

Do you have time to talk to Ken Runz about the PFAS event this week.

If you want to let me know a time that works, we can get it set up.

Thanks so much,

Emily

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Block, Molly" <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** June 27, 2018 at 1:40:09 PM EDT  
**To:** "Deegan, Dave" <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>, "Gutro, Doug" <[Gutro.Doug@epa.gov](mailto:Gutro.Doug@epa.gov)>, "Bender, Emily" <[Bender.Emily@epa.gov](mailto:Bender.Emily@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Exeter questions for HQ

Would Alex be willing to hop on the phone with this guy?

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Personal Email / Ex. 6  
**Date:** June 27, 2018 at 1:06:20 PM EDT  
**To:** [block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)  
**Subject:** Re: Exeter questions for HQ

Hi Molly,

I sent an email to Dave asking him to arrange a conversation with Alexandra Dunn, who I've spoken with before but I don't have her contact info. I'd like to speak with her or someone else from the EPA, which could be you if you have time. Please call or let me know a good time to call you, thanks,

Ken

P.S. I want to file the story tomorrow (Thursday, 6/28)

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**From:** Block, Molly <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>  
**To:** kenrunz Personal Email / Ex. 6  
**Cc:** Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>; Bender, Emily <[Bender.Emily@epa.gov](mailto:Bender.Emily@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wed, Jun 27, 2018 11:31 am  
**Subject:** RE: Exeter questions for HQ

Here's a bunch of info. I'm happy to chat further. Hopefully this is helpful!

Molly

There's a lot of good information on numbers and takeaways here:  
<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-hosts-first-ever-pfas-community-engagement-event-new-hampshire-hears-communities>

And here: <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-concludes-historic-pfas-community-engagement-event-new-hampshire>

There were nearly 200 people in attendance for the events. The agenda shows speakers for the event, we do not have a list of speakers during the listening session. For example, on the second day (the working session) <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-hosts-first-ever-pfas-community-engagement-event-new-hampshire-hears-communities>

communities there was a panel with all New England states and New York. It was moderated by Region 1 Deputy Regional Administrator Deb Szaro and was composed of

- Robert Kaliszewski, Deputy Commissioner, CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
- Gary Moran, Deputy Commissioner, MA Department of Environmental Protection ♣ Melanie Loyzim, Deputy Commissioner, ME Department of Environmental Protection
- Clark Freise, Assistant Commissioner, NH Department of Environmental Services
- Nick Noons, Project Manager, RI Department of Environmental Management
- Peter Walke, Deputy Secretary, VT Agency of Natural Resources

**Actions:**

- Today, we are announcing the next 3 community engagement events, which will occur in Pennsylvania, Colorado, and North Carolina.
- At the PFAS National Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. on May 22-23, Administrator Pruitt announced four actions EPA will take:
  1. EPA will initiate steps to evaluate the need for a maximum contaminant level (MCL) for PFOA and PFOS. We will convene our federal partners and examine everything we know about PFOA and PFOS in drinking water.
  2. EPA is beginning the necessary steps to propose designating PFOA and PFOS as “hazardous substances” through one of the available statutory mechanisms, including potentially CERCLA Section 102.
  3. EPA is currently developing groundwater cleanup recommendations for PFOA and PFOS at contaminated sites and will complete this task by fall of this year.
  4. EPA is taking action in close collaboration with our federal and state partners to develop toxicity values for GenX and PFBS by this summer.
- Using information from the National Leadership Summit, public docket, and community engagements, EPA plans to develop a PFAS Management Plan for release later this year.
- A summary of the community engagement events will be made available on the PFAS Community Engagement website following the event.

**From:** Personal Email / Ex. 6

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2018 11:25 AM

**To:** Block, Molly <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Exeter questions for HQ

I'd like as much info as possible about what occurred at the event -- who from the EPA spoke, how citizens participated, what actions the EPA may take in the future based on what occurred at the event. I'd like to speak with you or someone from the EPA about the event, so please let me know how we can arrange that and thanks for your help,

Ken -- **Personal Phone / Ex. 6**

-----Original Message-----

From: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>

To: kenrunz **Personal Email / Ex. 6**

Cc: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily  
<Bender.Emily@epa.gov>

Sent: Wed, Jun 27, 2018 11:21 am

Subject: RE: Exeter questions for HQ

I'm happy to help out as well! What info are you looking for?

Molly

From: **Personal Email / Ex. 6**

Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 11:20 AM

To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Exeter questions for HQ

Hi Molly,

I'm trying to get info on the regional EPA meeting in Exeter, NH that took place Monday and Tuesday. I tried contacting Dave Deegan but haven't heard back from him yet. Is he available today and if not do you know who can help with info about the event. Thanks,

Ken Liebeskind -- **Personal Phone / Ex. 6**

-----Original Message-----

From: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>

To: kenrunz **Personal Email / Ex. 6**

Cc: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>

Sent: Wed, Jun 20, 2018 6:48 pm

Subject: RE: Exeter questions for HQ

Ken --

I was look at your piece from Monday and I just wanted to clarify something quickly. The 70 parts per trillion is a health advisory, not an mcl. Administrator Pruitt announced at the National Leadership Summit that EPA will initiate steps to evaluate the need for a mcl for PFOA and PFOS. Does that make sense?

Molly

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From: Block, Molly

Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 12:27 PM

To: **Personal Email / Ex. 6**

Subject: RE: Exeter questions for HQ

You can attribute the quote to me. Thanks!

From: **Personal Email / Ex. 6**

Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 12:03 PM

To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Exeter questions for HQ

Hi Molly,

Thanks for your response, can you tell me who the EPA spokesperson is who is quoted below. Also the letter from NTTC was very interesting, unfortunately not relevant to this story,

Ken

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From: Block, Molly <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>  
To: kenrunz <[kenrunz@epa.gov](mailto:kenrunz@epa.gov)> [Personal Email / Ex. 6]  
Cc: Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>  
Sent: Wed, Jun 13, 2018 11:56 am  
Subject: RE: Exeter questions for HQ

Ken –

I wanted to make sure you had a copy of this letter (see attached) Administrator Pruitt received yesterday from the National Tribal Toxics Council. Some highlights:

- “Council member Susan Hanson was able to join the recent National Leadership Summit on PFAS, and share tribal perspectives on EPA's regulatory actions and stewardship programs to limit the release of PFAS to the environment.”
- “At the Summit she had the opportunity to speak with you [Administrator Pruitt] as well as Charlotte Bertrand, your Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator of Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention. “
- “We look forward to the EPA Water Program visits to tribal homelands to assess releases of PFAS along with state visits.”

**In response to your questions below:**

“Under the Trump Administration, EPA has made concerted efforts to improve environmental and health outcomes by refocusing on the Agency’s core mission: protecting human health and the environment. As Administrator Pruitt stressed at the PFAS National Leadership Summit, addressing PFAS is a national priority.” – EPA Spokesperson

**Background:**

Administrator Pruitt announced four actions EPA will take following the summit:

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- EPA is taking action in close collaboration with our federal and state partners to develop toxicity values for GenX and PFBS by this summer.

**On New Hampshire:** The PFAS Community Engagement events are beginning in EPA's Region 1, which covers the states of New England. It was scheduled first based on logistical considerations and coordination.

Let me know if you have additional questions!

Molly

**Molly Block**

Press Secretary

Office of Public Affairs

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Personal Email / Ex. 6  
**Date:** June 13, 2018 at 8:28:01 AM EDT  
**To:** [deegan.dave@epa.gov](mailto:deegan.dave@epa.gov)

Hi Dave,

Please have Scott Pruitt answer these questions and return comments to me by tomorrow, June 14. Thanks,

Ken Liebeskind -- Personal Phone / Ex. 6

1. Why is New Hampshire the first state for the EPA's community engagements?
2. Will you attend the event in Exeter, NH on June 25 and 26 or any of the other community engagements?
3. You have been criticized by environmental groups for leading the Trump administration's efforts to scale back Obama era environmental regulations and EPA efforts to enforce them. How will the EPA's plans to address the PFAS issue change these perceptions?